

Amendment No. 1 to HB2662

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 2635*

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 24, Chapter 1, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section thereto:

Section 24-1-212.

(a) As used in this section:

(1) "Crisis response services" means consultation, risk assessment, referral, and crisis intervention services provided by a critical incident stress management team to individuals affected by crisis or disaster;

(2) "Critical incident stress management team member" referred to as "team member" means an individual specially trained to provide crisis response services as a member of an organized community or local crisis responses team that holds membership in a registered critical incident stress management team;

(3) "Crisis intervention" means a session at which crisis response services are rendered by a critical incident stress management team member during or after a crisis or disaster; and

(4) "Registered team" means a team formally registered with a recognized accrediting agency (i.e. International Critical Incident Stress Foundation, National Organization of Victims Assistance, National Red Cross).

(b) All communications between a critical incident stress management team member or team leader providing, and a group participant or person participating in, a crisis intervention are confidential.

(c) Except as provided under subsection (d) below, no person, whether critical incident stress management team member, team leader or group participant providing or

participating in a crisis intervention with a firefighter, law enforcement officer, EMT or rescue squad member shall divulge any information resulting from such crisis intervention.

(d) The confidentiality established under subsections (b) and (c) of this section shall not apply if:

(1) The individual who received crisis response services gives express consent to divulging the information;

(2) The individual who received crisis response services testifies, in which case the team member may testify on the same subject;

(3) The communication or advice pertains to or is related to any criminal act; or

(4) In response to an order from a court of competent jurisdiction.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008, the public welfare requiring it.